RTM PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

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REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

April 17, 2025 7:00 PM, Community House, 46 Church Street

The Public Services Committee of the Branford Representative Town Meeting will meet in regular session on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 7:00pm at the Branford Community House located at 46 Church Street, Branford, CT to hear presentations of the following budget requests for FY 2025-26 as amended by the Board of Finance. In addition to the budget, Committee members and attendees ought to refer to the "Budget Handout" pdf document which includes both a summary of the BoF's most recent meeting on the budget, and the proposed capital improvement plan for 2026.

- 1. Call to order: 7:01pm.
- 2. Roll Call: Rep Dahill, Rep Neupane, Rep Sharkey, Rep Popolizio, Rep Shrestha, Rep Bonenberger
- 3. Presentations by department, as follows:

DEPARTMENT	PRESENTER	PAGE #
Engineering	John Hoefferle	42
Public Works	Gary Zielinski	39
Docks & Recreational Facilities	Gary Zielinski	48
Municipal Gov't. Buildings	Brian Droney	27
Animal Control	Laura Burban	38, 67-8
Solid Waste Management & Recycling	Tyler Bowne/Paul Muniz	41

After presentations by the various departments, including the presentations by the Police Department and Fire Department, on April 3, Public Services entertained a motion to pass the budgets. Each department gave an informal assessment of the impact of reduced funds and support from the federal government, with minimal impact estimated but caveating that it was not possible to truly know short and long term consequences. Each department gave an informal assessment of the impact to their budget by tariffs, again with small or no impact estimated (with the same caveat as before).

MOTION TO PASS: Representative Popolizio

SECOND: Representative Sharkey OUTCOME: Unanimous passage, 6-0

- 4. Any other business to come before the committee
- 5. Adjournment: 8:47pm

Respectfully Submitted
Adrian Bonenberger
Chair, RTM Public Services Committee